(d) if so, the names of those cities where the work has no been commenced yet and the reasons therefor, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Transforming Mumbai into Shanghai

†2841. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister have made an announcement regarding transforming Mumbai into Shanghai;

(b) if so, whether any blue print has been prepared for the same; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) No, Sir. However, Prime Minister during his visit to Mumbai on 6.10.2004 had announced that we should strive hard to transform Mumbai in the next five years in such a manner that people forget about Shanghai and start talking about Mumbai.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Ceiling of premises by MCD officials

2842. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to ceiling of premises by the MCD officials thousands of citizens become unemployed;

(b) if so, what are the steps Government are taking for their employment;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some vacant shops have also been sealed by the MCD officials; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) In its order dated

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

16.2.2006 in IA 22 failed in CWP No. 4677 of 1985, Supreme Court of India had directed Municipal Commissioner of Delhi to seal residential premises being used for commercial activities; first taking up of violations on roads which are 80 ft. wide or more. This Ministry has received some representations regarding the hardship arising from the issue. The Central Government has filed an application in the Supreme Court on 12.4.2006 praying that local bodies be directed to complete the exercise of identification of mixed use streets within a period of six months and seeking directions to Municipal Corporation of Delhi not to undertake sealing operations during this period of six months. The application was heard and is to come up again on 11.5.2006.

(c) and (d) The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) has reported that it has been sealing properties which are being misused for commercial purposes. However, in case any owner has such grievances, he is free to represent before the concerned Zonal Deputy Commissioner for submitting such cases to the Monitoring Committee set up by the Hon'ble Supreme Court for overseeing the implementation of its orders.

Activities under JNNURM in Maharashtra

2843. SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details and current status of various activities currently underway under the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission in the State of Maharashtra;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government has approved city development plans involving outlay of funds from JNNURM for Pune and Nagpur; and

(c) if so, the details of the funds outlay proposed in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) City Development Plans have been received in respect of Greater Mumbai, Nagpur, Nanded and Pune. 23 project proposals have been received, out of which the city of Nagpur has been sanctioned 5 projects and a sum of Rs. 22.19 crore has been released towards first installment of Central Share.

(b) Yes, Sir.